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Public Health Department,
The Council House,
Carlton.

To the Chairman and Members of the Carlton Urban District Council.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present to you my fifth annual report on the health and health services of the District.

This report is drawn up on the lines indicated by the circular issued by the Ministry of Health and as an "Ordinary Report" is called for, it is laid down that it will be sufficient if the information given (with the exception of certain specified items) is limited to a record of alterations, improvements or developments which have taken place during the year and that it will not be necessary to repeat matter which has appeared in previous reports save where it is wished to call attention to old defects not yet remedied.

The Report will therefore not differ substantially in form from that of last year and similar sets of facts must necessarily be set out in the same order.

The general health of the District remains satisfactory, there were no outbreaks of disease of an epidemic nature. Two cases of Acute Poliomyelitis were notified at the end of the year, but fortunately no further spread of infection occurred.

The District was free from small-pox during the year and no cases of Typhoid or Paratyphoid were notified.

Since the appointment of an Additional Sanitary Inspector it has been possible to carry out the important duty of systematic house to house inspection of the District. As the tables, which appear later in the Report, indicate, 218 houses have been inspected and scheduled under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932. At the end of the year 177 of the notices served under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1936, in respect of such houses had been complied with.

The shortage of hospital accommodation for cases of infectious disease is still as acute as ever. The erection of the new Central Hospital is yet further delayed by reason of difficulty with regard to the site and the question of infectious diseases hospital accommodation is dealt with at greater length in another part of the report.

The tenants displaced from dwellings in clearance areas and by individual demolitions under the three-year plan, which was completed in 1936, have now been rehoused.

During the year the 37 temporary structures in the District used for habitation have been dealt with under the provisions of the Housing Act, 1936. Sixteen demolition orders have been made and the question of rehousing of the persons who will be thus displaced is being considered.

The 23 cases of overcrowding which remained over from 1937 were remedied during the year and no cases of overcrowding now exist.

Between the 14th and 19th March, a "Health Week" was held in the District, at the cost of the County Council, in connection with the National Health Campaign.

The "Health Week" consisted of four "Health Days" and was organised by the Central Council for Health Education in co-operation with the County Public Health Department and my Office.

There were displays of suitable films for children at the local Cinemas (by kind permission of the Management); meetings for mothers, at which there were cookery demonstrations and films; public meetings, at which well known speakers were present and on the last evening a Fitness Demonstration was given by representatives of Carlton Physical Training Groups.

The "Health Week" was well arranged and there were good attendances at the meetings. Such health campaigns are interesting and helpful to the public in general, but are especially valuable to mothers and I feel that the "Health Week" in Carlton was well worth while.

The number of deaths in the District was 304 and of these there were 4 over 90, 12 over 85, 33 over 80, and 70 over 75.

There do not appear to be any conditions of employment or environment which require special notice as being prejudicial to health.

Below are the employment figures for the past three years. The table was kindly supplied by The Manager of the Employment Office, Nethertield.

	21st Dec.,	13th Dec.,	12th Dec.,
	1936	1937	1938
Total number unemployed	390	392	475
Number of Males unemployed	347	342	375
Number of Females unemployed	34	35	81
Number of Juveniles :			
Boys	5	13	18
Girls	4	2	1
Number of persons partially unemployed (all classes)	220	314	209
Number of Persons, who were unemployed on 12th Dec., 1938, but who were unemployed some part of the week ending 12th Dec., 1938 (all classes)			334

STATISTICS AND NATURAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area (in acres)	4,058
Population (Census 1921)	18,511
Population (Census 1931)	22,366
Population (Registrar-General's estimation, 1937)	28,960
Number of inhabited houses	29,510
Number of inhabited houses	8,285
Number of inhabited houses containing shop premises	455
Lock-up Shops	50
	8,740
	8,790
Rateable Value	£150,695
Product of a Penny Rate	£597
Rates Levied (General)	12/8d. in the £
(Parts of Colwick and Gedling)	11/11d. in the £

The character, situation and industries of the District are as stated in the reports for 1934 and 1935.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The following table gives the chief vital statistics for the District and also those of England and Wales, of the smaller towns and of the County Boroughs and Great Towns, for comparison.

	Birth Rate per 1,000 of population	Death Rate per 1,000 of population	Deaths under one year per 1,000 births (live)
Carlton Urban District	15·72	11·33	25·86
England and Wales	15·1	11·6	53·0
Smaller Towns	15·4	11·0	51·0
County Boroughs and Great Towns including London	15·0	11·7	57·0

BIRTHS.—There were 464 live births in the Urban District as compared with 447 in 1937. The birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population was 15·72. Males exceeded females by 2. The number of illegitimate live births was 17.

STILL BIRTHS.—The number of still births was 22; 8 males and 14 females. Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births 45·3.

DEATHS.—The number of deaths registered during 1938 was 304 (161 males 143 females) as compared with 318 in 1937. The rate per 1,000 of the estimated population was 11·33. The causes of death are shown in a separate table.

Deaths from puerperal causes :

	Deaths	Rate per 1,000 total (live and Still births)
Puerperal Sepsis	2	4·12
Other puerperal causes	—	—

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age :

All infants per 1,000 live births	25·86
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births ..	25·86
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births ..	Nil

Deaths from Measles, Whooping Cough and Diarrhoea :

Deaths from Measles (all ages)	0
„ „ Whooping Cough (all ages)	0
„ „ Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	0
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	48

**CAUSES OF DEATH IN CARLTON URBAN DISTRICT
DURING THE YEAR 1938.**

TOTAL DEATHS

(Corrected for inward and outward transfers).

Causes of Death	Males	Females
ALL CAUSES	161	143
Diphtheria	—	—
Influenza	1	1
Tuberculosis of respiratory system	9	7
Other Tuberculous diseases ..	2	3
Syphilis	—	—
Cancer, malignant disease	21	27
Diabetes	1	3
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc. ..	12	5
Heart disease	41	38
Other circulatory diseases	8	10
Bronchitis	5	5
Pneumonia (all forms)	14	7
Peptic Ulcer	5	1
Other digestive diseases	1	1
Acute and chronic nephritis	—	3
Congenital debility, premature birth, malformations, etc.	5	2
Senility	7	9
Suicide	4	3
Other Violence	8	4
Other defined diseases	13	8
Causes ill defined or unknown ..	2	1
Scarlet Fever	—	—
Cirrhosis of Liver	—	1
Other Liver diseases	—	—
Gen. Paralysis of Insane	2	—
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	—	—
Puerperal Sepsis	—	2
Other Puerperal diseases	—	—
Aneurism	—	—
Appendicitis	—	2
Cerebral spinal fever	—	—
Whooping Cough	—	—

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

Laboratory Facilities.

Most of the specimens for bacterial diagnosis of infectious disease are sent to the City Laboratory, Park Row, Nottingham, by the General Practitioners of the District.

Specimens of milk, etc., are sent for bacterial examination to Mr. W. W. Taylor, B.Sc., F.I.C., of Nottingham, and to the Clinical Research Association, London.

Ambulance Facilities.

A motor ambulance for accident and non-infectious cases is maintained by the Urban District Council. A detailed account of the work done during the year will be found in the Surveyor's report. The service provided is adequate.

An ambulance is maintained at or in connection with the Rushcliffe Smallpox Hospital, Hucknall.

Nursing in the Home :

General : The general nursing of the District is provided by the Carlton and District Nursing Association.

Infectious Diseases : The District Nurse visits those cases of infectious diseases which are isolated and treated at home, giving advice as to nursing care, diet, etc.

Clinics and Treatment Centres.

The school clinics, the maternity and child welfare clinics and the ante-natal centres are under the control of the County Council and their administration is in the hands of the County Medical Officer.

The school clinic, the maternity and child welfare centre and the dental clinic are now housed at Park House.

School Clinics are held three times weekly, on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, a Medical Officer is present Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons.

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres are held four times a week, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons, when a Medical Officer is present, and on Wednesday mornings, the Medical Officer attending the latter session every fourth week.

Ante-Natal Centres are held weekly on Tuesday afternoons, a Medical Officer attends every session.

A Post Natal Clinic is held monthly on Thursday afternoons.

A Child Welfare Centre and Ante-natal clinic (combined) is now held at the Church Hall, Marshall Hill Drive, fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons. A Medical Officer is present at every session.

Hospitals.

There are no general or special hospitals in the District, non-infectious cases are treated in the Nottingham Hospitals.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water.

There has been no extension of public water supplies during the year.

No action was necessary in respect of any form of contamination, except at one factory which obtained water of doubtful quality from private boreholes. The firm has now installed the Town supply.

Water is supplied to the District by the Corporation of the City of Nottingham and the supply has been satisfactory in quantity, and the quality is consistently good, as is indicated by the following Analyst's Report.

REPORT OF ANALYSES.

Mark : Burton Joyce Pumping Station.

These samples contain per 100,000 parts :—

Total Solids dried at 100°C.	..	..	18.00	30.00
Suspended Matter	..	..	absent	absent
Chlorides as chlorine	..	..	1.42	1.07
Oxidised Nitrogen as nitrate	..	..	trace	trace
Oxidised Nitrogen as nitrite	..	..	absent	absent
Free Ammonia	..	..	absent	absent
Albuminoid Ammonia	..	..	absent	absent
Temporary Hardness..	..	..	14.00	19.50
Permanent Hardness	..	..	2.00	7.50
Oxygen absorbed in 3 hrs. at 80°F.	..	..	0.00	0.00
pH value	..	..	8.20	7.90
Appearance	..	..	clear	clear
			and	and
			bright	bright
Odour	..	..	none	none
Taste and Colour	..	..	Normal	Normal
No. of colonies developing per ml. on Jagar at				
21°C. in 72 hrs.	..	..	1	32
Ditto at 37°C. in 24 hrs.	..	..	0	2
Ditto at 37°C. in 48 hrs.	..	..	2	16
Coli-aerogenes count per 100p mls. at 37°C. in				
48 hrs.	..	..	0	0
Bacillus Coli (presumptive)	..	..	absent	absent
			in 200 c.c.	in 200 c.c

These samples are of good quality.

(Signed) W. W. TAYLOR, B.Sc., F.I.C.

Public Analyst.

Drainage and Sewerage.

The Surveyor's Report contains particulars of the extension of sewerage and of the progress made during the year in improving the sufficiency of the arrangements for drainage, sewerage, etc.

Rivers and Streams.

The rivers and streams in the District continue to receive supervision and there have been no complaints of pollution during the year. In addition, the whole-time Rivers Inspector employed by the County Council does valuable work in preventing and remedying any Industrial Pollution.

Closet Accommodations.

No conversions from conservancy system took place during the year, all the conversions having taken place before 1930, except in the case of a number of temporary buildings which still have pail closets.

Public Cleansing.

The arrangements for Public Cleansing remain satisfactory. All fixed receptacles have been replaced by dustbins. A weekly collection of house refuse is made by covered motor lorries. Refuse is disposed of by controlled (Bradford system) tipping on the Carlton Hill site.

Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

A detailed report is furnished by the Sanitary Inspector under Article 27 of the Sanitary Officers (Outside London) Regulations, 1935.

Shops.

Particulars of action taken during the year under the provisions of the Shops Act, 1934 will be found in the Sanitary Inspector's Report.

Smoke Abatement.

No statutory notices have been served during the year, but informal action has been taken in respect of four cases. One nuisance has been remedied by the installation of a new boiler with smoke consuming apparatus and the chimney has been raised in another instance. Two outstanding cases are still receiving attention.

Eradication of Bed Bugs.

(1) Four Council houses and eight other houses were found to be infested and were disinfested. (2) The methods employed were stoving of houses with sulphur, and steam disinfection of bedding and clothing. (3) Houses and bedding are inspected in doubtful cases to ensure that the belongings of tenants are free from vermin before removal to Council houses. (4) The work of disinfection is carried out by the Local Authority.

SCHOOLS.

The medical supervision of all the schools in the District is under the control of the County Medical Officer and reports as to the health of the children and the sanitary condition of the schools are made to him.

It has not been found necessary to close a school for Public Health reasons during the year.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Milk Supply.

Systematic inspection of the farms and dairies continues to be carried out and efficient steps have been taken to secure the remedy of any defects discovered. Examinations of milk for bacterial content and tubercle bacilli were made frequently during the year. The quality of the milk was found to be satisfactory in all cases.

There are now eleven producers of milk in the District. Their methods and standards of cleanliness are satisfactory. Milk is pasteurised under licence by three firms in the District and the milk is invariably above the standards required by statute.

Milk pasteurised in the District is supplied to school children in the District under the Milk Marketing Board's scheme and has been approved by the School Medical Officer.

Meat and Other Foods.

The action taken with regard to meat and other foods will be found in the Sanitary Inspector's report.

Adulteration.

The administration of the Food and Drugs Acts is carried out by the Nottinghamshire County Council.

I am indebted to Mr. Templeman, the Chief Inspector, for the following extract from the report of the Public Analyst upon articles analysed by him under the Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act during the year 1938.

Extract from Report of Public Analyst upon articles analysed by him under the Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928, and of those examined by the Inspectors, taken in the district of Carlton Urban District Council during the year 1938.

Articles purchased by the Inspectors for Examination and Analysis	No. of Samples taken	Result of Analysis	Results of proceedings taken (if any)
Cake	1	Genuine	No action taken. This case comes under High Court decision Hunt v Richardson.
Cherries (tinned)	1	"	
Fruit (mixed)	1	"	
Fried Potatoes (tinned)	1	"	
Fruit Salad (tinned)	1	"	
Grape Fruit (tinned)	1	"	
Mandarin Oranges (tinned)	1	"	
Milk	37	{ 36 Genuine 1, 6% deficient in fat and 4.2% deficient in solids not fat.	
Peas (tinned)	1	Genuine	
Pepper	1	"	
Pineapple Slices (tinned)	1	"	
Tomato Juice (tinned)	1	"	
Tea	1	"	
Sausage	1	"	
Rice	1	"	
Rum	2	Correct but not formally analysed.	
Samples of milk taken under Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936 ..	32	{ 31 Complied. 1 Failed to comply.	

Number of informal samples of Milk tested by the Inspectors by "Gerber" tester.

		RESULT	
		correct	incorrect
Numbers of Samples taken by the Inspectors	61	60	1
Number of Samples submitted by milk vendors to the Inspectors	118	89	29
	179	149	30

HOUSING.

As previously mentioned in the Report, it has, with the augmentation of Staff, been possible this year to carry out a systematic house-to-house inspection of the District, 218 houses having been inspected and scheduled. This duty, which is of major importance, will continue to receive the special attention it warrants.

Three houses have been closed voluntarily by owners—No. 1 Cemetery Road and No. 8 Church Street, Carlton and No. 351 Carlton Hill.

There are now no back-to-back houses remaining in the District, the six such premises mentioned in last year's report having been converted into through houses.

OVERCROWDING.

At the beginning of 1938 there were 23 cases of overcrowding affecting 232 persons. These cases have been abated during the year, the Authority providing alternative accommodation.

The Council has also re-housed some cases nearing the overcrowding standard where there were special circumstances and it is the policy of the Council to allot Council houses to the most urgent cases.

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the Year.

(1)	(a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	568
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose ..	1,436
(2)	(a)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	218
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose ..	632
(3)		Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	—
(1)		Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding subhead) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	568

2. Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of Formal Notices.

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	315
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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year.

(A) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	218
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices	177
(a) By Owners	167
(b) By local Authorities in default of Owners ..	10

(B) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	13
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :	
(a) By Owners	13
(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners ..	—

(C) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	—
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	—

(D) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	—
(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit	—

4. Housing Act, 1936—Overcrowding.

(a)	(1)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	—
	(2)	Number of families dwelling therein	—
	(3)	Number of persons dwelling therein	—
(b)		Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	—
(c)	(1)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	23
	(2)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	232
(d)		Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority has taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	—

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

During the year the total number of cases of infectious diseases (other than tuberculosis) notified was 102 as compared with 111 in 1937.

Scarlet Fever. There were 58 cases compared with 61 in 1937. In suitable cases hospital treatment was replaced by nursing and supervision at home.

Diphtheria. Twelve cases were notified, the same number as last year. There were no deaths from this condition.

No action has yet been taken to provide artificial immunization against diphtheria in schools, special clinics or otherwise.

Medical practitioners may obtain, free of charge, supplies of anti-toxin for the treatment of cases.

Pneumonia. Fifteen cases were notified as compared with 19 in 1937. This disease proved fatal in all cases, the great majority of which were terminal infections in aged patients.

Erysipelas. The number of cases notified was 8 as compared with 10 last year.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum. There were four cases of this disease.

Acute Poliomyelitis. There were two cases of this disease.

Puerperal Pyrexia. There were three cases of this disease.

Other Infectious Diseases. No cases of small pox, acute polioencephalitis, or enteric fever. No vaccinations were performed by the Medical Officer of Health under the Public Health (Small pox Prevention) Regulations.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION FOR CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

The arrangements for the isolation of cases of infectious disease are unchanged. Those cases requiring institutional treatment or which cannot be isolated properly at home are admitted to Basford Fever Hospital, the Carlton Urban District Council accepting financial responsibility for the cost of maintenance.

There has been great difficulty in obtaining beds for a number of cases during the year. In some instances it has been necessary to send patients to Hospitals considerable distances outside the District. The lack of infectious diseases hospital accommodation becomes more marked from year to year.

However, I understand that when the site for the new Central Hospital is obtained there will possibly be erected some temporary buildings which will suffice until the Central Hospital is completed. Considerable difficulty has been encountered in connection with the site and the matter is again delayed for this reason.

In the event of an epidemic the position would be serious.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year :—

DISEASE	Total Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Smallpox	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	58	15	—
Diphtheria	12	9	—
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	3	3	2
Pneumonia	15	2	21
Cerebro-spinal Fever ..	—	—	—
Erysipelas	8	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ..	4	—	—
Dysentery	—	—	—
Encephalitis Lethargica ..	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	2	2	—
Acute Polioencephalitis ..	—	—	—

TUBERCULOSIS.

Number of Cases on Register, January 1938	..	..	..	198
Number of Cases added or restored to Register during 1938	..			35
Number of Cases removed from Register during 1938	..			38
Number of Cases on Register, 31st December, 1938	..	..		195

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Resp'tory		Non-Resp'tory		Resp'tory		Non-Resp'tory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 1 year	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
1—5	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	2
5—15	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	—
15—25	2	5	—	—	1	6	—	1
25—35	4	3	—	—	1	1	—	—
35—45	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
45—55	4	—	—	—	4	—	—	—
55—65	5	—	—	—	2	—	1	—
65 and upwards	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	18	9	2	6	9	7	2	3

Localisation of the disease in cases notified during the year.

	M.	F.	TOTAL
Lungs	18	9	27
Cervical Glands	—	3	3
Meninges	—	2	2
Sacro-iliac Joint	1	—	1
Mesentery	—	1	1
Peritoneum	1	—	1
TOTALS	20	15	35

The number of deaths from tuberculosis during the year was 21 and the death rate was 0·71. Of this number 16 were due to tuberculosis of the respiratory system and five to other tuberculous diseases. In the year 1937 the figures were 17 and 4 respectively.

Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925.

These regulations prohibit those suffering from tuberculosis, who are in an infectious state, from milking cows, treating milk or handling milk vessels. No action was necessary during the year.

Public Health Act, 1936.

This Act relates to the compulsory removal to hospital of highly infectious cases of pulmonary tuberculosis. No action was necessary during year.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the Year 1938, for the Urban District of Carlton, on the administration of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, and the Factories Act, 1937.

- 1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.
Including Inspections made by the Sanitary Inspector.

Premises	Number of	
	Insp'tions	Written Notices
FACTORIES with mechanical power ..	96	3
FACTORIES without mechanical power	48	4
OTHER PREMISES under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction but not including out-workers' premises)	10	—
TOTAL ..	154	7

2. Defects found.

Particulars	Number of Defects		Number of offences in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted.	
	Found	Remedied		
Want of cleanliness ..	1	1	—	—
Overcrowding ..	1	1	—	—
Unreas'nable temp'ture	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	2	2	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences: insufficient	—	—	—	—
unsuit'ble or def'ctive	1	1	—	—
not separate for sexes	1	1	—	—
Other offences ..	5	5	2	—
TOTAL ..	11	11	2	—

I desire to express my thanks to my fellow Officials for their co-operation during the year and to Mr. T. A. Wragg, the Chairman of the Council, to Mr. J. E. Walton (Chairman of the Health and Sanitary Committee) and all other members of the Council for their continued support and encouragement.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Patrick H. Deeny.

Medical Officer of Health.

CARLTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my nineteenth Annual Report of the work carried out in the District during the year ending December 31st, 1938.

COMPLAINTS.

I have received 285 written and many verbal complaints, all of which were investigated at the earliest opportunity and dealt with on their merits.

GENERAL WORK.

During the year I served 13 formal and 456 informal notices to abate nuisances, etc., also 74 for the provision of dust bins. Of these 507 were complied with, including those left over from last year.

HOUSING ACTS.

Two hundred and eighteen houses were inspected, measured up and scheduled. These houses have been or are being reconditioned.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

There are 1 Registered and 8 Licensed slaughterhouses in the District.

Frequent visits are paid to these premises, carcases thoroughly examined for any trace of disease and attention is given to live cattle. The slaughterhouses have been kept in a good state of repair, clean and free from garbage. The fact that there were no complaints from householders near shows that the butchers do all they can to minimise any nuisance.

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933.

There are 42 men registered with this Authority who are licensed to slaughter animals. All are experienced in the work and in no case has it been necessary to complain of the way animals are slaughtered.

MEAT REGULATIONS.

The Meat Regulations have been fairly well observed. I have found it necessary to caution traders, especially with regard to the protection of cooked foods from flies. It is most important that any kind of food purchased, that is not subjected to heat afterwards, should be kept free from any source of contamination. Many germs that are harmful are destroyed by cooking; on the other hand, cooked meats, etc., are more readily invaded by bacteria.

UNSOUND FOOD.

The slaughterhouses, food shops and hawkers carts are kept under constant supervision for the detection of diseased, unsound or unwholesome food. The benefit of any doubt is always given in favour of the public. Traders have, as hitherto, rendered me every assistance, which I fully appreciate. Special attention is paid to tinned foods during the summer months. I am pleased to state that the quality of foods sold in this district is good, and premises generally clean.

The following list gives the nature and quantity of food destroyed :

3 Beasts' carcases and offals	..	..	Generalised Tuberculosis
8 Beasts' offals	..	..	Localised Tuberculosis
2 forequarters and offal of beast	..	..	Tuberculosis
2 Beasts' carcases and offals	..	..	Septicaemia
1 hindquarter of cow	..	..	Inflammation
8 Beasts' livers	..	..	Distomatosis
3 Ditto	..	..	Abscesses
1 Pig's offal	..	..	Localised Tuberculosis
5 Pigs' heads	..	..	Do.
2 Pigs' heads and offals	..	..	Do.
1 Sheep's liver	..	..	Distomatosis
18½ lbs. Bacon	..	..	Insufficiently cured and unwholesome
9 Rabbits	..	..	Unsound
2 6-lb. tins of Mutton	..	..	Decomposition
3 6-lb. tins of Ox tongue	..	..	Mildewed
25 6-lb. tins of Boiled beef	..	..	Unsound
1 6-lb. tin of Corned beef	..	..	Do.
1 6-lb. tin of Jellied veal	..	..	Decomposition
*1 Sheep's carcase	..	..	Moribund
*1 Calf's carcase	..	..	Do.

Approximate quantity of food destroyed : 4,680 lbs.

* A Magistrate's Order was obtained for the destruction of each carcase. Proceedings were taken and defendant was fined £5 and costs.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS AND MILKSHOPS.

There are 11 cowsheds, 3 dairies licensed to pasteurise milk, 11 milkshops and 40 purveyors of milk in the District. These premises have been inspected at irregular intervals and found to be kept in order.

The dairy at one farmstead has been improved and new house drains provided to a properly constructed cesspool.

Twelve samples of milk were taken from cowkeepers' premises and six from pasteurisers for bacteriological examination and all were found to be up to standard.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

There are 109 factory premises within the District, including 13 bakehouses. These premises have been inspected at irregular intervals and with few exceptions found to be in order.

The following factories have been inspected as to the "means of escape in case of fire" and the necessary certificates have been issued.

Messrs. Geo. Sands and Son, Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Spray and Burgass, Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Thomas Glover and Sons, Ltd., Carlton.

Messrs. Stafford and Co., Ltd., Netherfield.

Messrs. Armitage Bros., Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Colwick Hosiery Co., Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Parazone Co., Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Netherfield Co-operative Society's Bakery, Netherfield.

Messrs. S. Bourne and Co., Ltd., Netherfield.

Messrs. Trent Concrete Co., Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Simpkins, Ltd., Gedling.

Messrs. Ilkeston Hosiery Co., Ltd., Carlton.

Messrs. Carlton Laundry and Dyeworks, Ltd., Carlton.

Messrs. A. L. Marshall, Ltd., Carlton.

Messrs. Gotham Co., Ltd., Carlton Hill.

Mr. W. Norman, Carlton.

Messrs. British Sugar Corporation, Ltd., Colwick.

Messrs. Wm. Lawrence and Co., Ltd., Colwick.

It was necessary in the two last mentioned cases to ask for the provision of extra "means of escape" and this has now been done.

The factory of Messrs. Pure Products, Ltd., Colwick has also been inspected, but the provision made for "means of escape in case of fire" was inadequate and the firm is giving the matter consideration.

OUTWORKERS' PREMISES.

There are 20 firms in the City of Nottingham employing 26 persons living in this District. These outworkers' premises have been inspected and found to be clean and suitable for such work. No cases of infectious disease occurred at any of these houses.

PETROLEUM ACTS.

There are 52 licensed premises in the District for the storage of Petrol and 4 for the storage of Carbide of Calcium. All the petrol stores, with one exception, have underground storage or overhead tanks. These premises have been visited and all were found to be observing the conditions of their licence.

Exceptional precautions are taken by the large storage firms to prevent danger by fire or leakage and these firms have their own Inspectors to enforce compliance with the Acts.

All new tanks are subjected to the pressure test before being used and when tanks are no longer being used steps are taken to see that these disused tanks are empty and not likely to be a source of danger.

Licences have been issued for the storage of 5,608,550 gallons of Petrol, 600 gallons of Cellulose Solution and 22 cwts. of Carbide of Calcium.

RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION ACT.

Every precaution is taken to prevent rats and mice becoming a source of nuisance in the District. The men on the refuse tips are supplied with poison for use and householders can have poison free of charge when they have rats on their premises.

In accordance with the usual practice a special effort was made during National Rat Week.

Experience shows that there is no large concentration of rats anywhere in the District.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.

The only premises in the District classified as Offensive Trade premises are 18 fried fish shops—of these 12 are registered and 6 licensed. One other shop was licensed during the year, but the business has now been closed. These premises have been kept clean and satisfactory and the foods on examination, when visiting, were found to be wholesome.

SANITARY SUPERVISION OF MUSIC HALLS, THEATRES, Etc., MINISTRY OF HEALTH CIRCULAR 1921, No. 120.

There are three Cinemas in the District. All are properly ventilated and the sanitary arrangements were found on visiting to be clean and in order.

TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS.

During the past year we have made an effort to abolish vans and sheds unsuitable for habitation purposes. Progress is now being made in rehousing the tenants.

Thirty-seven vans in the District have been dealt with during the year under the Housing Act, 1936. The following is a summary of the action taken :—

Individual demolitions	..	..	16
Undertakings given	..	..	11
Adjourned	..	..	8
Removed by Owners	..	..	2
			37

RENT AND MORTGAGE INTEREST RESTRICTION ACTS.

The chief feature of the Rent Restriction Act, 1938 is to keep control of houses up to £20 rateable value. The 1933 Act only kept control of houses up to £13.

There have been several enquiries by tenants about increases of rent and in many cases such increases were in order and due to increased Assessment, etc.

A few "threatened" illegal increases have been stopped and the undermentioned cases of illegal increases of rent remedied :—

No. of houses			Rent reduced				Overpaid rent returned		
			from	to			£	s.	d.
1	..	..	11/-	9/4	..	..	—		
1	..	..	8/9	7/6	..	..	1	12	6
5	..	..	7/9	7/6	..	..	1	12	6
6	..	..	7/9	7/8	..	..		13	0
1	..	..	7/-	6/6	..	..		10	2
1	..	..	13/-	11/10	..	..	1	2	0
1	..	..	12/-	10/7	..	..	1	16	10
1	..	..	10/-	7/-	..	..	3	18	0
4	..	..	9/2	8/9	..	..	1	16	0
1	..	..	9/-	7/6	..	..	1	8	6
22							£14 9 6		

SHOPS ACTS, 1912—1936.

Regular observation has been kept upon the shops in the District and 466 inspections have been made of premises. Shopkeepers have been found to be complying generally with the requirements of the Shops Acts and the contraventions have mostly been due to negligence or ignorance of the law. Consequently no proceedings have been authorised by the Council, but offenders have been warned that any subsequent contravention will be regarded in a serious light.

The Young Persons (Employment) Act, 1938, received the Royal Assent during the year and came into operation on the 1st January, 1939. The Act has been framed in order to regulate the employment of young persons who are not provided for in the Shops Act or Factories Act.

The following are lists of the "main" trades and infringements of the Shops Acts.

LIST OF TRADES :

Butchers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42
Bakers and Confectioners	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Boots and Shoes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Barbers and Hairdressers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34
Boot-polish and Leather	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Beer-off, Grocers, Sweets and Tobacco	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Chemists	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Clothiers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dyers and Cleaners	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Drapery and Boots	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
Dairy Produce	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Fish, Fruit and Greengrocery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57
Furniture	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Flowers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Grocery, Sweets and Tobacco	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	143
Hardware and General Stores..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Ironmongers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Jewellery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Library ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Milliner	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Newsagents and Stationers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Pictures	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paints and Wallpaper	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Stationery and Fancy Goods	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Tobacco, Sweets and Fancy Goods	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Wool and Fancy Goods	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wireless and Cycles	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Wines and Spirits	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4

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INFRINGEMENTS OF THE SHOPS ACTS :

Employment of young persons—no forms exhibited ..	25
No half-day notices exhibited	57
No Sunday trading notices	21
No Assistant's half-day notice	4
Employment of young persons over statutory number of hours in one week	2
Shops closed on different day from notice exhibited ..	1
Sale of prohibited goods on Sunday	1
Sale of goods after closing hour	4

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RAG FLOCK ACT, 1919 and 1928.

There are only two premises where upholstery work is carried out and, as sterilised flocks are used, there has been no necessity to take any samples.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS.

SUMMARY OF WORK EXECUTED IN THE DISTRICT, 1938.

Drain Inspection covers	4
Drains repaired	20
Drains cleansed	70
Glazed sinks provided	17
Pedestal closets	5
Closets repaired (roofs, walls, etc.)	46
Sink wastes, new or repaired	19

Houses Repaired.

Firegrates, new or repaired	115
Coppers, new or repaired	40
Floors, new or repaired	85
Roofs, new or repaired	98
Chimneys repaired	22
Burst water pipes repaired	9
Spouting, new or repaired	50
Dampness remedied	55
Miscellaneous (locks, latches, cords, plaster, etc.)	254
Dustbins provided	74
Outhouses repaired	35
Yards repaired	68
Nuisances from animals abated	1
Steam disinfection	16
Visits to works in progress	530

Visits to slaughterhouses	..	..	..	..	..	482
Visits to cowsheds and milkshops	..	..	..	..	..	142
Visits to factories and workshops	..	..	..	..	..	96
Visits to bakehouses	..	..	..	..	..	48
Visits to outworkers' premises	..	..	..	..	..	33
Investigations of infectious diseases	..	..	..	..	..	103
Houses disinfected	..	..	..	..	..	151

HOUSING ACTS.

SUMMARY OF WORK EXECUTED IN THE DISTRICT, 1938.

Glazed sinks	..	..	..	..	..	..	16
W.C.s repaired	..	..	..	..	..	..	69
Outhouses repaired	..	..	..	..	..	..	100
Yards repaired	..	..	..	..	..	..	92

Houses repaired.

Roofs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	89
Floors	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	207
Firegrates	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	153
Coppers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48
Spouting	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52
Dampness remedied	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	139
Food stores improved or provided	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52
Miscellaneous (plaster, locks, latches, cords, etc.)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	596

I am, Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

Arthur P. Harrison

Inspector.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT

Engineer and Surveyor's Department,
Council Offices,
Carlton.

February, 1939.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present my Fourteenth Annual Report.

New Buildings.

The past year has again been one of great activity with regard to new buildings, plans being deposited and approved for the following :

WARD.

	Carlton	Carlton Hill	Colwick	Gedling	Nether- field	Pqr- chester	Totals ★
Houses	37	239	4	143	46	29	498
Shops	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Bungalows	—	10	—	1	3	1	15
Garages	—	8	1	4	1	6	20
Alterations	2	5	1	9	3	4	24
Petrol Tanks	—	1	2	—	—	—	3
Surgery	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Bakehouse	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
New Roads	3	—	—	1	—	—	4
Factory	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Chapel	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Workshop	—	—	1	—	—	—	1

★ 297 completed.

Private Street Works, 1892.

The following streets have been made up and taken over :—

Avondale Road
Trentdale Road
Cliff Road.

Provisional Apportionments have been served in respect of sewerage:

Linden Grove.

Road Improvements.

Station Road (near Post Office). This scheme has been completed at a cost of £1,182, and a grant of £591 received from the Ministry of Transport.

Westdale Lane.

This scheme has also been completed at a cost of £10,708, and grants totalling £830 have been paid by the Ministry of Transport.

Cavendish Road to Main Street.

Work has been commenced on this scheme, the estimated cost is £5,254.

The Ministry of Transport have agreed to pay a grant not exceeding £2,226, and the Notts. County Council have agreed to contribute half the cost of the balance of this scheme.

New Roads.

A scheme is in course of preparation for the extension of Parkdale Road to Main Street and for the widening and improvement of Foxhill Road from Carnarvon Grove to that part already made up.

The following details have been submitted to the Ministry of Transport and County Council :

	Estimate.
Maintenance and Minor Repairs on Claimed County Roads	£2,998
New 50 ft. Road : Parkdale Road to Main Street ..	£3,996
Widening of carriageway, Conway Road	£2,100
New 50 ft. Road : from Douglas Avenue to Station Road	£1,000

Highway Statistics for year ended March 31st, 1938.

The cost of maintenance and repair of Unclassified or District Roads was £7,735, a sum of £2,082 being received from various sources, leaving a net cost of £5,653 from the rates for this purpose.

Improvements on Unclassified Roads cost £1,342, grants received being £330, leaving £1,012 to be met out of loans.

The mileage of Roads in this District is as follows :

Class I and II (Claimed County Roads) ..	5·68
District Roads	31·95
	37·63

Recreation Grounds.

Conway Road. The six tennis courts and three bowling greens still continue to be well patronised.

Standhill Road. King George V Recreation Ground.

Three hard tennis courts, one bowling green, one football pitch, and one hockey pitch have been laid out on this site, which formerly was used as a refuse tip.

A Pavilion with dressing accommodation for football, hockey, tennis and bowls, has been erected.

Grants have been received from the Playing Fields' Association, King George's Trust, and the National Fitness Council, totalling £325 towards the cost of this scheme.

Scavenging.

The tipping of refuse has been completed on the Standhill Road site—which has been laid out as a Recreation Ground.

The levelling up of the rear of the Carlton Hill Recreation Ground is now well advanced by the tipping of dry ash refuse, and on completion tipping will be carried out on land leased from the L.N.E.R. off Emery's Lane.

SEWERAGE.

The 24 inch outfall sewer from the Nottingham Corporation trunk sewer to Waverley Avenue has been completed to provide a more adequate outfall to satisfy the Gedling area when fully developed.

The scheme for the culverting of the Ouse dyke—from Carnarvon Grove to the L.N.E.R. sidings—has been deposited with the Ministry of Health for their approval and sanction for loan.

Swimming Baths.

A revised scheme for a covered-in Swimming Bath, gymnasium and club rooms for boys and girls, is being submitted and the Physical Fitness Council have promised a grant of £8,000 subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health after a Public Inquiry has been held.

Fire Station.

Plans have been prepared for an extension to the existing Fire Station. The scheme includes the provision of a recreation room over the existing fire station, a new engine room, equipment room, watch room and other offices.

A new Dennis Fire Engine has been ordered, and the present Dennis engine has been reconditioned.

Street Lighting.

The lighting on Vale Road and Main Road, Gedling, has been improved by the installation of 125 watt mercury discharge lamps.

The total number of lamps in the district is 881, viz :—

Suspended Electric lamps	..	..	116
Electric Standard lamps	..	..	232
Gas Standard lamps	..	..	533

New Depot—Station Road.

A scheme is being prepared for the above. Provision is to be made for garages, weigh bridge, office and stores.

1930 Housing Act.

The following houses were completed to re-house tenants from clearance areas :—

8 houses Church Street and Greenhill Road with accommodation for 36 persons.

Non-Subsidy Type at Economic Rents.

The following houses built without State assistance and let at economic rents were completed during the year, viz. :—

20 Houses, 3-Bedroom type, Coningswath Road.

Housing Overcrowding Act, 1936.

25 Houses—Greenhill Road and Walton Crescent with accommodation for 220 persons.

Housing Works in Progress.

Non-Subsidy.

32 Houses, Coningswath Road, 3 Bedrooms, Non-Parlour Type.

The total number of houses and bungalows erected by the Council is as follows :—

1919 Act	..	..	228 Houses
1923	„	..	112 „ (of these 20 Houses sold)
1924	„	..	278 „
1930	„	..	134 „
1930 Act	..	..	16 Bungalows
Non-Subsidy		..	102 Houses
„			10 Bungalows
Firemen's Cottages			4
Overcrowding 1936 Act			25 Houses
1919 Act	..	..	54 taken over from Basford R.D.C.

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In addition 192 houses, built by private enterprise, have been taken over by the Council, making a total of 1,135 houses directly controlled and maintained by the Council.

Housing.

Further sites for houses in the Foxhill Road area have been acquired for general needs, also for bungalows for aged people.

Cemeteries.

During the year there were 549 interments of which 250 were from Nottingham, 279 from Carlton and 20 from Gedling.

Ambulance.

From January to December, 1,361 cases were transported by the Ambulance of which :—

252 were operation cases
 114 were accident cases
 264 were patients to see hospital doctors
 194 were patients brought from hospital
 530 were treatment cases
 7 were mortuary cases.

The ambulance travelled 9,438 miles during the above period.

CARLTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Stock.

Number of books in stock at 31st Dec., 1937	..	..	10,173
Books withdrawn (worn out) :			
General Section	..	..	476
Children's Section	..	..	113
		—	589
			9,584
Books purchased during the year :			
General Section	..	..	1,414
Children's Section	..	..	249
		—	1,663
Magazines taken from the Reading Room and placed in			
Lending Library	..	..	52
Donations received during the year	..	..	8
Total stock at 31st December, 1938 :			
General Section	..	..	9,701
Children's Section	..	..	1,606
		—	11,307

Registered Borrowers at 31st December, 1938.

Number of tickets at Central Library :

General Section : Fiction	..	..	..	..	2,798
Non-fiction	..	..	..	..	1,605
Children's Section	..	..	..	..	820
				—	5,223

Number of tickets at :

Standhill Branch	..	..	..	..	90
Carlton Hill Branch	..	..	..	..	119
Mapperley Branch	..	..	..	..	660
Gedling Branch..	..	..	..	..	64
Standhill Road School Library	..	..	..	..	244
Colwick Church of England School Library	..	..	..	..	28
Westdale Lane School Library	..	..	..	..	74
				—	1,279
					<u>6,502</u>

Issues during the year.

Central Library, General Section :

Fiction	..	..	..	..	..	83,553
Non-fiction	..	..	..	..	..	13,293
					—	96,846

Central Library, Children's Section :

Fiction	..	..	..	..	..	12,599
Non-fiction	..	..	..	..	..	2,408
					—	15,007

Students' books obtained from the County Library .. 177

Students' books obtained through the East Midland

Regional Library System 46

Students' books lent through the Bureau 7

— 112,083

Standhill Road Branch 2,314

Carlton Hill Branch 3,296

Mapperley Branch 8,533

Gedling Branch 1,135

Standhill Road School Library 5,567

Colwick Church of England School Library 1,053

Westdale Lane School Library 880

— 22,778

Total 134,861

The total issues of books during 1934 = 47,619; 1935 = 104,332;
1936 = 123,696 and 1937 = 127,298.

During the year 657 notices were sent to borrowers in respect of books overdue.

437 books have been rebound during the year 1938.

736 books received minor repairs by the library staff.

The Westdale Lane School Library was opened during April.

A display of notable novels in addition to other classes of books have been made by the Librarian, and the quality of reading has risen to a high level.

The Committee continued its co-operation with the Notts. Education Committee and the East Midland Regional Library System. The scheme of co-operation between the County Library and the Carlton Public Library was extended to include an additional 700 books for service at the Branch and School Libraries. During the year, 177 Students' books were obtained for borrowers from the County Library, and 46 books were obtained through the East Midland Regional Library System and, under the same arrangement, 7 books were lent to other libraries.

Staff: Several changes have occurred in the personnel of the staff during the year. Mrs. H. N. Timms was appointed Branch Librarian at the Carlton Hill Branch after the demise of Mr. E. R. Timms. Miss G. Walton was, in August, appointed Assistant Librarian in the place of Miss K. Syson who resigned, and Frank Foster was appointed to the Library staff during December.

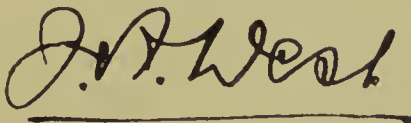
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1932.

The final scheme has been submitted to the Ministry of Health for their consideration and it is anticipated that an Inquiry will be held in the near future.

RESTRICTION OF RIBBON DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1935.

The powers conferred on the Council by the above act are being observed and enforced, as occasion arises.

I desire to thank the Council for their confidence during the past year and to my staff for their loyal support.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "J. P. West". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

Engineer, Surveyor and Chartered Architect.

